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Ser. No.: 09/752,141 Art Group: 3742

Title: METAL CUTTING PROCESS

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## OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE

This letter is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action, of October 22, 2002, for which a response is due <u>January 22, 2003</u>. As it is filed on 23 January, 2003, a one month large entity extension fee is paid herewith. No fees are believed to be due for excess claims. If there is any fee deficiency, please charge Deposit Account 15-0450.

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2) Amendments to the Description

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None at this time.

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3) Amendments to the Claims

After the amendments shown in marked up version at the end hereof, the claims read as follows:

12. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 8 wherein:

said apparatus includes at least a second transfer carriage; and said first transfer carriage is movable to said loading position while said second transfer carriage is in said cutting position.

13. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein:

said apparatus includes at least a second transfer carriage; and said path includes an unloading position clear of said cutting position.

14. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 13 wherein said first transfer carriage is movable to said



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

**STATUS** 

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

**EXTENSION OF TERM** 

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for one month:

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### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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